

# HISTORY OF THE LA TIERRA TRAILS AREA

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1700 Land inhabited by Pueblo Indians
- 1715 Original Santa Fe Land Grant by Spain's King Philip V includes the Northwest Quadrant and earmarks it for common pasture land and water
- 1824 Land is transferred from Spanish to Mexican rule
- 1848 Land becomes a part of the United States
- <sup>early</sup>  
1900 All land within the NW Quadrant, with the exception of land privately held, is deemed City-owned
- 1930 Quiet Title Suit confirmed NW Quadrant as City-owned land
- 1985 Resolution 1985-131 was passed to establish alignment for the Northwest Sector Relief Route (Highway 599)
- 1999 General Plan Designates the NW Quadrant as "Open Space."
- 2005 City begins a master plan for the section of land south of NM-599
- 2006 City Council approves Resolution 2006-93, designating 174 acres of the 540 total as open space and trails.
- 2009 City Council approves the NW Quadrant Master Plan for the area south of NM-599
- 2009 City completes a Priority Plan for the NW Quadrant Trails, emphasizing the need for a Trails Master Plan
- 2010 City begins a trails master plan for the section of land north of NM-599, the La Tierra Trails



## THE LA TIERRA TRAILS + OPEN SPACE TODAY

Total land area: 1,500+ acres  
 Property owners: City of Santa Fe (1408 ac)  
 Santa Fe Public Schools (3 parcels - 100 ac total)  
 private owner (1 parcel - 10 ac)

Trails: 20+ miles  
 Dirt jump tracks + jumps: 2 locations  
 Motorized-recreation vehicle areas: 1 informal track

Historic use: grazing land  
 Current Zoning: R1  
 Future Land Use: Open Space  
 Current Population w/in 1 mile of site boundary:  
*Estimated* 6,000 - 8,000

Vegetation + Wildlife: predominantly native

